

FTS/AE CAREER PATH (AW)



Aviation Electronic, Electrical and Computer Systems Technicians work with some of the most advanced electronics equipment in the world and repair a wide range of aircraft electrical and electronic systems. Repair jobs can range from trouble-shooting the computer-controlled weapon system on an F/A18 Hornet on the flight deck of an aircraft carrier to changing circuit cards or tracing electrical wiring diagrams in an air-conditioned shop. Most of these technicians are trained in computers to support state-of-the-art equipment or on power generators and power distribution systems to support aircraft electrical systems.

YEARS OF SERVICE	CAREER MILESTONES	AVERAGE TIME TO PROMOTE	support aircraft electrical sys COMMISSIONING OR OTHER SPECIAL PROGRAMS	SEA/SHORE ROTATION	TYPICAL CAREER PATH DEVELOPMENT
26-30	AVCM	23.2 Yrs	CMC	36	Follow on Shore Tours
23-26	AVCM AECS	23.2 Yrs 22	CMC, CSC, CWO, Detailer, ECM	42	4 th Sea Tour Billet: CSC/MCTRL Coord Wing Master Chief/Training SUP. Duty: Squadron/CNAFR/ CNATTU.
20-23	AVCM AECS AEC	23.2 Yrs 22 16.3	CMC, CSC, CWO, Detailing, ECM	36	3 rd Shore Tour Billet: Wing Class Desk/Prod LCPO/CSC/Detailing/ECM. Duty: FRC/CNATTU/CNRF/ CNAFR/NOSC/JOSAC.
16-20	AECS AEC AE1	22 Yrs 16.3 10.3	MECP, OCS, LDO, CWO, CSC, RDC, Equal Opportunity	48	3 rd Sea Tour Billet: Dept/Maint LCPO/ QAO/Program Office. Duty: Squadron.
12-16	AECS AEC AE1	22 Yrs 16.3 10.3	Advisor, Drug and Alcohol Counselor, RDC, Command Fitness Leader, SAPR	42	2 nd Shore Tour Billet: DIV SUP/QA SUP/Maint CPO/Instructor. Duty: FRC/Special Programs. Qualification: QAR, LCPO.
8-12	AEC AE1 AE2	16.3 Yrs 10.3 5		48	2 nd Sea Tour Billet: ELEC INST MAINT/ ELEC INST MAINT SUP/ QA/Maint Ctrl LPO. Duty: Squadron. Qualification: EAWS/CDI/ QAR/Safe for Flight/LPO/NEC 8800.
4-8	AE1 AE2 AE3	10.3 Yrs 5 2.6	MECP, STA-21, Naval Academy, NROTC, LDO, RDC, SAPR	42	1st Shore Tour Billet: ELEC INST MAINT/Battery Locker Supervisor/WC Sup/QA/Instructor. Duty: FRC/NOSC. Qualification: White Belt/CDI/QAR/Supervisor/NEC 9502.

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1-4	AE2 AE3	5 Yrs 2.6	MECP, STA-21, Naval Academy, NROTC, RDC, Drug and Alcohol Intern	48	1 st Sea Tour Billet: Elect Mate/Plane Captain/CDI. Duty: Squadron. Qualification: EAWS/Turn Qual.
1+/-	AEAN AEAA Accession Training	9 Months			Recruit Training (8 weeks)/'A' School (8 weeks)/'C' School for aircraft platform or FRC.

Notes:

- 1. Per the Advancement Manual (BUPERSINST 1430.16F), advancement to AVCM requires citizenship and access to classified information prior to advancement eligibility.
- 2. Career enhancing billets or tours and special qualifications include: Enlisted Community Manager (ECM) and Enlisted Detailing.

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